We would respectfully urge, Mr. President, that you will use your best endeavors to bring about the realization of the desires of your humble petitioners in these matters and for which we, in behalf of those we represent, will

The committee will to-morrow present similar petitions to the Senate and House of Representatives.

SCHEMING CONGRESSMEN.

How Some Members Are Trying to Get Back the Money Stolen by Silcott.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Since the vote of the House of Representatives, the other day, refusing to pass the bill to reimburse certain members the money lost by the defalcation of their cashier, several of those who suffered most have been trying to invent a plan to accomplish the same purpose, and several bills have already been introduced bearing on the subject. There were cases where there was not so much conscience in this vote as appeared on the surface, but more policy, for, mindful of the fate of the members who voted for the salary grab some fifteen years ago. Some of those who represent doubtful districts were very, careful to record themselves on the negative side of the proposition, but it may be regarded as pretty cermen will be refilled from the public treasury in some way or another, or human ingenuity has lost its cunning. Two members have gone to the Court of Claims to recover the money they lost by the defalcation.

TOO MANY PORTS OF ENTRY.

Mr. Windom Says They Should Exist Only on the Seaboard and Frontier.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Secretary Windom has written a letter to the Hon. John Lind in regard to bills now pending before Congress making a number of cities ports of entry and ports of delivery. After discussing the various bills in detail, and opposing the passage of most of them, he says: "I deem this a fitting opportunity to invite attention to the undesirability of legislation whereby ports are created at places where there is no necessity therefor. The number of existing ports is now far in excess of the needs of business, and the ex-pense of collecting the revenue is greater than it should be in consequence. In my judgment ports should only be established on the seaboard and frontier at places where there is commerce with foreign countries and at such interior points as may properly be regarded as distributing centers. The fixed appropriation for collecting the revenue from customs is now, and has been for several years, insufficient for the proper necessities of the service—a condition of affairs largely owing to the existence of expensive and unnecessary customs establishments."

ENLISTMENTS IN THE NAVY. The Senate Passes a Bill to Increase the Force

to 9,000-Names of War-Ships. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The bill which was passed by the Senate yesterday to promote the efficiency of the enlisted force of the navy provides that the number of persons who may at one time be enlisted in the navy (including seamen, landsmen, mechanics, firemen and coal-heavers, and 1,500 apprentices and boys authorized to be enlisted annually) shall not exceed 9,000, It makes provision for increased pay for each additional term of four years' service, and for placing enlisted men and appointed petty officers on the retired list after thirty years' service, with an allowance of 75 per

cent. of their pay and allowances.

The bill, passed to amend certain sections of the revised statutes relating to the navy, makes the sections read as follows: Section 1529. The vessels of the navy of the United States shall be divided into four classes, as follows: First rates, second rates, third rates

Section 1530. Vessels of and above 5,000 tons displacement shall be classed as first rates; those of and above 3,000, but below 5,000 tons displacement, as second rates; those of 1,000 and above, but below 3,000 tons displacement, as third rates; and, all those of less than 1,000 tons displacement, as fourth rates.

Section 1531. The vessels of the navy shall be named by the Secretary of the Navy, under the direction of the President, according to the following rule: Battle ships shall be named after the States of the Union; cruisers after the cities; unarmed coast defense vessels after important events or names connected with the history of the United States. Vessels of special classes shall be named appropriately to the service for which they are designed.

PENSIONS FOR VETERANS.

Residents of Indiana and Illinois Whose Claims Have Been Allowed. Pensions have been granted the following-

named Indianians:

Original Invalid—Zacheus Vanderbur, Waynes-burg; Matthew A. Rowe, New Middleton: Junius E. Cravens, Indianapolis; John A. Smith, Manilla; Chas. T. Perkins, Sante Fe; James M. Bell, Jewell: Wm. Wise, Princeton; Joshua H. Crim,

Huron; Jacob Brown, St. Louis Crossing; Thos. J. Armstrong, Parkersburg; Y. Richard Myers, Napoleon; Benajah Jones, Frankfort; George W. Hall, Sulphur Hill; John Daily, Edinburg; John W. Lamb, Galena; (navy) Jas. C. Weeks, Rei; Geo. A. Blystone, Boyston; Jas. Young, Pimento; Fernando Study, Burket; Jonathan Ashby, Rossville; John J. Shaw, Alert; Elliott Malone, Monticello; Elijah T. Sater, Martinsville; Robert P. Ratcliff, Yorktown; Henry Rader, Daleville; Alex. Wygand, Wolf Lake; Robert R. Steel, Ter-

Increase-Wm. H. Goins, Sullivan; Jeremiah Larouche, Fowler; Wm. Gimple, Bright; John W. McBride, Young's Creek; Geo. F. Griffith, Worthington; Jas. T. Zarcery, Scottsburg; Caleb Beck, Indianapolis; Samuel Woods, Mootinsville; (navy) Geo. K. Morgan, Jeffersonville; Ira Ivor, Indian-

Reissue-Jas. B. Clark, Bloomington; Nathan B. Clover, Noblesville; Nathaniel Payton, Paoli; Eugene Benson, Kokomo; Daniel Banister, Sey-

Original Widows, etc.-Sarah A., widow of Benj. F. Danely, Worthington; Elizabeth, widow of Wm. A. King, Decatur; Elizabeth E., widow of John Hungate, Sandborn; Frances, widow of John Fry, Versailles; Martha Darling, mother of

John W. Blackburn, Clinton. TO RESIDENTS OF ILLINOIS. Original Invalid -- Warren Carter, Quincy (Soldiers' Home); James Winn, Chicago; Charles Yager, Nauvoo; Robert Luney, Oakdale; William A. McCasland, Waverly; Samuel Long, Marseilles; James Burnes, Joliet; Thomas Motley, North Alton; Simeon S. Funderburg, New Bedford; James H. Jones, Clay City; Levi Overmire, Marshall; Horace A. Waitt, Chicago.

Increase-Daniel R. Sutter, Lovington; James McCance, Bushnell. Reissue and Increase-George H. P. Gibbons, Springfield; Joseph Elias Hunt, Mount Vernon; William Carver, Palestine.

Original Widows, etc.--(Reissue) Elizabeth, widow of Owen Nagle, Englewood; Mary A., widow of William S. Colburn, Petersburg; Nancy A. Garrard, former widow of Morgan Hartley, Palestine; (reissue) Margaret Gott, former widow of Samuel Sparks, Norris City.

Mexican Survivor-Philip A. Moore, Roanoke. MINOR MATTERS.

House Committee on Elections Decides to Unsent a West Virginia Democrat.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- By a strictly party vote the House elections committee to-day decided to report in favor of unseating Jackson, the Democratic Representative from West Virginia, and declaring Smith, the Republican contestant, entitled to the seat. This is the first of the seventeen contested election cases which the committee has disposed of, and it was the first one upon which argument was heard. After talking over the case for a time, the committee decided that it would be useless to undertake to dissect the evidence taken, as several days would be consumed in the process, and the members of the committee were well acquainted with the facts and legal points involved. There will of course, be two reports, which it is expected will be represented to the House to-morrow. Mr. Dalzell will probably set forth the majority view, and Mr. Crisp will represent the ideas of the minority.

World's Fair Committee. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- The sub-committee of the special House committee on the

werld's fair was called together this morn-

ing by Chairman Candler, and discussed the Springer proposition to select the site for the world's fair by ballot in the House to-morrow. The session did not last more than half an hour, as it was evident that the sub-committee was hopelessly divided upon the proposition, and it will report to the full committee to-morrow that it has had the proposition under consideration and has come to no conclusion thereon. The Chicagoans seem to be decidedly of the opinion that the chairman is leaning toward New York. Mr. Candler himself is non-committal, and when asked to-day if he believed that the adoption of the Springer resolution could be regarded as favoring one city as against the others, he said evasively that it was too early at present to tell what significance any such vote would have.

A Bill Relating to Fruit Brandy.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Senator Hearst, to-day, introduced a bill to amend the act relating to the production of fruit brandy. The bill provides that any grape brandy removed in bond may, upon its arrival at a special bonded warehouse, be deposited there upon making such entries, filing bonds and giving other securities as shall be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It shall be one of the conditions of the warehouse bond covering the spirits that the principal named in the bond shall pay the tax on the spirits as specified in the entry, to be paid before withdrawal. The bill also provides that all brandy made from grapes, found elsewhere than in a distillery or in a bonded warehouse, and not having been removed from it according to law shall be forfaited to it according to law, shall be forfeited to the government.

Turkish Wools Must Pay Full Duty. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The question of classification of certain Turkish wools interchangeably known as Roumelian and Adrianople wools, has been under consideration at the Treasury Department for several months and great pressure has been brought to bear on the Secretary to authorize their entry under the provision for car-pet wools, dutiable at 212 cents per pound. The Secretary, however, has practically deeided to continue the practice now prevailing at most of the ports of classifying such wools as wools of Class 1, dutiable at the rate of 10 cents per pound.

General Notes. Special to the Indianapolls Journal

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22. - Fourth-class poststers were appointed to-day for Indian as follows: Collingwood, DeKalb county, J. Carnahan, vice J. D. Rowley, removed; Crystal, Dubois county, Mrs. M. A. Cave, vice N. Cox, resigned; Gadsden, Boone county, C. T. Padgett, vice J. S. White, re-

Miss Studebaker, of South Bend, who is spending the winter at the Ebbitt, with her father and mother, received to-day with Mrs. William E. Curtis, at the latter's home, No. 1424 Q street. Miss Studebaker has become a general favorite in Washington

John K. Rankin, of Lawrence, Kan., has been appointed by the President an agent to allot lands in severalty to the Indians.

The nominations of Morgan and Dorchester to be commissioners of Indian aflairs and superintendent of Indian schools, respectively, were not considered by the Senate in executive session to-day, and it is understood that they have gone over until next week, for the reason that certain testimoney has not yet been

printed. The Senate committee on foreign relations ordered an adverse report to be made on the call requesting the President to open negotiations with Spain for the purpose of inducing the government to consent to the establishment of a republic in Cuba. The Treasury Department to-day pur-

chased \$22,200 four-and-a-half per cent. bonds at \$1.045s. Mr. Evarts introduced in the Senate today a bill authorizing collectors, naval officers, surveyors and appraisers, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, to suspend for a period of thirty days any subordinate guilty of neglect or minor de-

STEAMSHIP PROBABLY LOST.

Wreckage of the Erin, a Vessel Carrying Eighty Persons, Picked Up at Sea.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The National line steamer Erin, Captain Tyson, from New York, for London, has now been out twentyfive days, and there is hardly any doubt in maritime circles that some disaster has befallen her. The fears concerning her safety have been greatly augmented by a report made by the British steamer Creole, Captain Darling, at Bremen, from New Orleans, which, on Jan. 9, saw a steamer's life-boat adrift bearing the name Erin. The Creole brought the boat alongside and took from it ten ash oars and and a mast and sail. A life-buoy, a steamer bridge and an awning were also seen floating near the life-boat. The Erin was a bark-rigged, iron screw steamer of 2,910 net and 4,500 gross tons. She was built at New Castle, in 1864. She was twenty-four days out from New York yesterday, and had not been spoken. She had a deck-load of cattle in pens and a general cargo, including cotton below decks. She carried no passengers. She was com-manded by Captain Tyson, and had a crew of sixty or seventy men and about fifteen cattlemen. She was one of the swiftest and stanchest of the older vessels of the National line.

The Cunard line steamer Gallia, Captain Murphy, from New York, and the Catalonia. Captain Atkins, from Boston, which arrived at Queenstown yesterday, report that on Jan. 18, when in latitude about 490 north and longitude about 290 west, they passed a quantity of wreckage and a number of dead cattle. The agents of the Cunard line deny the report that the Gallia had seen one of the Johnston line steamers in distress. She sighted no disabled steamer.

The Servia Damaged. NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-The Cunard line steamer Servia, Captain Walker, from Liverpool and Queenstown, which arrived today, reports that she encountered a succession of heavy gales from the westward, which lasted throughout the passage. The Servia's engine-room skylights were damaged, and boat-chocks were started. A seaman had several ribs broken.

Other Marine News.

QUEENSTOWN, Jan. 22.—The Fastnet light-house is displaying flags of distress, but no vessel has been able to approach it for several days.

London, Jan. 22.—The Lake Huron, from New York, Jan. 10, which arrived at Liverpool to-day, reports the loss of 190 head of

MOVILLE, Jan. 22.-Arrived: Circassia, from New York, for Glasgow.

Unsuccessful Cæsarian Operation. NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The surgeons of the Gouverneur Hospital performed the Casarian operation this evening, to try to life of an unborn after the death of mother. Only half a minute elapsed from the time the woman breathed her last till the little babe, a boy, was taken away through an incision in the abdomen. It only lived long enough to show that it was alive, by a convulsive fit. Dr. Merrigan tried to restore, or, more correctly, to originate respiration, but was unsuccessful. With the death of the mother the circulation had ceased. The mother was Lena Bremer, twenty-eight years of age, whose body had been burned almost to a crisp by her clothing eatching fire. She suffered terribly for nearly six hours.

The West Virginia Contest. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 22,-The joint session of the two houses, sitting as a court, to determine the gubernatorial contest, convened to-day. Judge Johnson opened the argument for Judge Fleming. His speech was an able and convincing argument. After very fully reciting the facts as developed by the gubernatorial inquiry during a period of nearly ten months, he likened the present dispute to that growing out of the Hayes and Tilden campaign, and said the body he addressed was of the same extraordinary nature as that convened to determine that memorable contest. Gen. Goff and his counsel took copious notes during the speech, which was of four and one-half hours' duration.

INDIANA AND ILLINOIS NEWS

Mother and Children, Lost to Each Other for Twenty-Seven Years, to Be United.

Mrs. Whitehead, the Alleged Poisoner, Release on \$10.000 Bond-Hunter Killed-Miscellaneous News from Two States.

INDIANA.

A Mother Finds Her Children After Twenty-Seven Years of Separation. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENFIELD, Jan. 22.-Mrs. Thomas J Johnson to-day received a letter which made known the whereabouts of her daughter Alice, and son Albert Smith, whom she has not seen for twenty-seven years. She was called to Washington City in 1861, to nurse her father, who was wounded in the battle of Bull Run. Her husband was killed in the same battle. She left her children with their grandmother in Scioto. N. Y., and upon the death of the grandmother, Mrs. Smith, who had remained in Washington as a nurse, failed to hear further concerning her children. Afterwards, however, she learned that they had been taken by a family named Wilson, which had removed no one knew where.

At the hospital Mrs. Smith, while nursing wounded soldiers, became acquainted with ber present husband, Thomas Johnson, whom she afterwards married. Aften the way Mr. and Mrs. Johnson settled here in Greenfield, his former home, where they have since resided. Last summer the services of H. M. Mott, editor of the Councilor of Champlain, N. Y., became enlisted, and through his advertisements the children, now grown, were found. The daughter Alice is in Montreal, Canada, and the son Albert in Scioto, N. Y. The children intend coming to see their mother as soon as they can. It will no doubt be a joyous

Failure at Columbus.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal COLUMBUS, Jan. 22. - This the well-known firm of Steckleman & Brockman, cigar manufacturers, made a deed of trust to John D. Lyle and others, of this city, and Jonathan Werner, of Indianapolis, to secure an indebtedness of \$8,494 due them. This firm has been doing a profitable business in this city for the last five years. Mr. Steckleman, of this firm, is a brother of Carl Steckleman, the African trader and explorer. The reason of this deed of trust being made was the failure of H. Brockman & Co., of this city, yesterday.

Stricken Down with Apoplexy. Special to the Indianapolis Journal:

JEFFERSONVILLE, Jan. 22. - Ludwig Henzler, one of the best known and popular Germans of this city, died this evening at 6 o'clock of apoplexy. The attack came on him last night at 10 o'clock, and he never regained consciousness. Up to 10 last night he was apparently in the best of health. The deceased was born in Germany sixty-two years ago, and located here in 1860. He was one of the founders of St. Luke's German Evangelical Reformed Church of

Mrs. Whitehead Released on \$10,000 Bond. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Jan. 22.-Late this afternoon Judge Langdon, of the Circuit Court, admitted to bail Mrs. Elma C. Whitehead, under indictment, with Rev. Wm. F. Pettit, for the poisoning of the latter's wife.
The bail was fixed at \$10,000, which was promptly given, and the woman was released from custody. Mr. Pettit is still behind the bars.

Hunter Killed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal BLOOMINGTON, Jan. 22.-John Henry Runnels, a well-known young man living in Polk township, accidentally shot himself to-day while hunting. He was climbing a fence, when the gun was discharged, killing him instantly.

Minor Notes. Kokomo will be lighted by electricity on

and after March 1. A Good Templar lodge has been organized at Veedersburg with 101 charter members. W. Z. Smith's large farm residence, near Boonville, was destroyed by fire, Loss,

At Anderson, Joshua Fantz returned home drunk and assaulted his wife with a club, fracturing her skull. He made his escape. John Pleffly, of Ladoga, gathered a mess of string beans from his garden on Jan. 6. The "oldest inhabitant" is not old enough to remember a like instance.

Andrew J. Catterman, of Kokomo, fell dead in his barn, Tuesday afternoon, of heart disease. He was a wealthy pioneer resident, and was seventy-six years of age. Gottlieb King, insurance agent, whose while eating breakfast at the Filbeck House, at Terre Haute, yesterday morning, and died at 8:30 P. M.

A mortgage for £160,000 sterling has been filed in Montgomery county by the Indiana breweries, limited, in favor of the Central Frust Company, of New York, and Albert Baker, of Indianapolis. This is to cover a store-house for beer at Crawfordsville.

It is believed the peach crop will be an entire failure in southern Indiana next season. Fully one-half the buds are already killed, and the remainder are in such condition that they are likely to be killed soon. The finest peaches raised in this country grow in Clark county.

There is some little talk of opposing the action of Governor Hovey in the appointment of Mr. Royse to succeed Mr. Gilbert as a member of the board of trustees of the Normal School at Terre Haute. The Democrats claim that the Governor must let the trustee whose term has expired hold over until he can appoint, subject to the approval of the Senate.

A four-year-old daughter of Charles Magness, of New Albany, died Tuesday of inflammation of the brain, caused by a peculiar accident. About four weeks ago. while playing about the kitchen at her home, the child overturned a pot of boiling water. A portion of the liquid flowed over her face and neck, and penetrated her ear. bringing on, in a few days, the disease that terminated in her death.

Tuesday, when the west-bound Wabash train arrived at Huntington, a little girl, aged about four years, was put off the train. She was unable to tell her name, and bore a card addressed to the matron of the Huntington Children's Home. There was nothing to tell where the child belongs or where she came from. Kindhearted parties took her in charge until something definite can be learned in regard

James Brown, proprietor of a saloon at Brazil, was seized with an attack of delirium Tuesday night. Friends locked him in his saloon, but he demolished the plateglass windows with a chair and escaped. He was hatless and in his stocking feet, yet he waded creeks and ran over the rough, frozen ground. He attempted to effect an entrance into several houses on the South Side. When found his clothes were frozen to him, his feet and hands bleeding. and he was almost dead.

ILLINOIS.

Reunion of the Thirty-Third Regiment, in Which Gov. Fifer Was a Private. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BLOOMINGTON, Jan. 22.—The Thirty-third Regiment of Illinois Volunteers are holding a reunion here, to-day, which will continue to-morrow. This regiment was formed by students of the Illinois State Normal School, and, from that fact, was known in the service as the "Normal Regiment." It was brigaded with the Eleventh Wisconsin, Eighth and Eighteenth Indiana, and members of these regiments are here by special invitation. Joseph W. Fifer was a private of the Thirty-third, and to-day the

tant-general of Illinois, delivered an address, and his wife, who is the daughter of Owen Lovejoy, read a paper.

Brief Mention. The Fourteenth congressional district

Farmers' Institute is in session at Monti-Tuscola land-owners who are opposing the drainage canal have failed to secure a

dissolution of the drainage district, but will make another effort. Governor Fifer has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest of Thomas Palmer, who murdered George Bopp near Sumner, Lawrence county, on the 26th of December.

By the death of a cousin at Canton, N. J., Mrs. A. C. Birdsall, of Kirkwood, becomes co-heir with her brothers and sisters and four cousins to an estate valued at \$100,000.

The Rockford Female Seminary trustees have the prospects of some very large do-nations, which will enable them to spend \$200,000 in enlarging their buildings and increasing their facilities. The stories put afloat about the Asylum for the Blind at Jacksonville. that the pu-

pils are subjected to corporal punishment and poorly clothed and fed, are scouted by the people in charge of the institution. The people of Sangamon county, at an election Tuesday, authorized the issuance of \$182,000 of four-per cent. funding bonds, to take the place of an equal amount of outstanding eight-per cent. railroad aid bonds soon to become due.

At Belvidere sickness has been on the in-

crease, lately, to an alarming extent, until it has reached the point where there are more sick than well people in town. Diphtheria in its worst form has appeared. There are not enough doctors to care for the

Francis Carey, a twelve-year old lad, was sent to the Rockford city jail for ten days for insubordination at school. Flogging was abolished recently, owing to the brutal whipping of a lad at school, and ever since the incorrigible have taken advantage of the new law. Carey's punishment is intended as a lesson to them. Frank Dutcher has been returned to the

Joliet prison from Woodstock, to serve his third term in that prison for burglary. Dutcher is an insane criminal. He has been sentenced to State's prison four times for burglary—once to the Waupun prison in Wisconsin, and three times to the Joliet prison. On each occasion, except the present, he has been transferred to an insane asylum soon after reaching prison, and has escaped before serving out his sentence. The Joliet prison physician, in his report of their attention to this man as a striking instance of many in which the prison is burdened with prisoners who do not properly belong there.

FIRE AT FRENCH LICK SPRINGS.

Buildings and Town Records Destroyed-A Loss of About \$20,000. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BLOOMINGTON, Jan. 22.—The particulars have reached here of a disastrous fire at French Lick Springs, entailing a loss of about \$20,000. The fire originated in the oil-room of Dr. W. E. Ryan's three-story drug-store building. The flames spread to the building occupied by Collins & Campbell, grocers and meat-dealers, and to the new three-story house of Charles McCarroll, just to the south. A fine stable, belonging to Dr. Samuel Ryan, was saved. Chas. McCarroll, who has been in his store only about three months, lost about \$11,500 in stock, etc. Insurance, \$7,000 with the Royal, North British, Liberty and Evansville. In addition to this, he lost about \$3,000 in notes and accounts. W. E. Ryan's loss is notes and accounts. W. E. Ryan's loss is \$6,500; insurance, \$3,000, in Phenix of Brooklyn, Citizens of Indiana, and the People's of New Hampshire. Collins & Campbell lost \$300; insurance, \$200, in Hikrian. Dr. Samuel Ryan's loss was \$500; insurance, \$250, in Indiana Insurance Company. J. E. Baldwin's loss, \$1,000, in produce; no insurance. J. C. Collins, trustee of French Lick township, lost nearly all the books and papers of the township, and about \$1,200 worth of new books, property of the Indiana School-book Company. This is the second time the records of French Lick township have been destroyed. township have been destroyed.

Wire-Works Burned.

St. Louis, Jan. 22.—The extensive mill and works of the Freeman Wire and Iron Company, located on St. Clair avenue, in East St. Louis, caught fire, about 10:30 this morning, and, with the exception of the warehouse, in which there was a large amount of manufactured stock, were entirely destroyed. The plant was valued at \$100,000, on which there was \$60,000 insurance. The works employed 200 hands, and will be rebuilt at once.

Fires at Other Places. NEW ORLEANS, Jan 22.-The four-story building on the southwest corner of Baronnes and Canal streets, occupied by the Chess, Checker and Whistle Club, was destroved by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at \$40,000. The chess club's loss will aggregate \$15,000, including library, furniture and fixtures. Inez Domeccy's confectionery, on the first floor, No. 204 Canal street, was also destroyed. The loss is well covered by insurance.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 22.—The Arkan-sas Democrat building, the handsomest newspaper office in the Southwest, was destroyed by fire last night. A lamp explodhome is at Peru, was stricken with paralysis | ed in a room on the third floor, occupied by E. Clark and family, and instantly after the explosion Mrs. Clark jumped out of the window, and, besides fracturing both legs, sustained serious internal injuries. Clark was badly burned, but escaped. The loss is about \$30,000.

Boston, Jan. 22.—The first parish church (Congregational Unitarian) of West Roxbury, an old land-mark, was burned, at 2:30 A. M., to-day. Loss, \$5,000; insured. The building was of wood, two stories and a half high.

BOSTON, Jan. 22.—This morning fire in the lumber and planing-mill of J. F. Paul & Co., on Albany street, did damage estimated at \$50,000.

CARROLL KNOCKS OUT LUCIE.

Short and Savage Fight Between Philadel-

phia and Brooklyn Bruisers. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.-Mike Lucie, of Philadelphia, and Jimmy Carroll, of Brooklyn, middle-weights, fought at the Golden Gate Club-rooms, to-night, for a purse of \$1,200. Lucie's weight was less than 158 pounds, while Carroll weighed 16014. Joe McAuliffe was referee. Carrell forced the fighting from the start, and had Lucie whipped and bleeding at the mouth at the end of the fourth round. Lucie's blows fell short, and he made but few good stops during the fight. Carroll kept him against the ropes with his sledge-hammer swings and knocked him down in the seventh and last round by a right-hander on the jaw. Lucie struck the floor heavily with his head, and it was eight seconds befor he could get to his feet, only to be knocked down and out in his own corner by another of Carroll's heavy swings.

Two Prize-Fights In New York State. NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Eugene Hornbacher, of New York, and Edward Daily, of Providence, fought with two-ounce gloves at a resort on Long island for a purse of \$500. early this morning. From the first to the tenth round there was scarcely a blow struck, but from this point to the twentyseventh round the fighting was spirited, Daily seeming to have slightly the advantage. Then Hornbacher got his second wind and did furious work. In the thirtieth round Daily was so badly punished that he went down. His second claimed a foul, but the referee refused to allow it, and, as Daily had not arisen at the end of the twelve seconds, the fight was given to the New York man. Near Syracuse, this morning, Harry Burns, a young plumber from New York, and Prof. O. J. Easterly, middle-Weight champion of Michigan and heavy-weight

\$100. Burns claimed a foul, which was not allowed, and he declined to go on. The referee declared the fight a draw. Cincinnati Canocist Drowned.

champion of Florida, fought six rounds for

NEW SMYRNA, Fla., Jan. 22.- Yesterday as Charles N. Morris, of Cincinnati, was coming down Halifax river in his canoe he attempted to cross an inlet, with a very strong ebb tide running. The tide carried Hon. W. S. Groesbeck Injured.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22. — This afternoon, while the Hcn. William S. Gresbeck was riding in his basket phaeton, on the Grandin road, in Woodburn, his horse ran away and threw him out, injuring him about the head. It is behieved he is not seriously hurt.

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Meeting at Columbus of the Frogressive Union and N. D. A. 135, K. of L.

Reports of Officers and Appointment of Committees-Preliminary Steps Taken to Effect Amalgamation of the Two Bodies.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.—The national convention of two mammoth organizations of miners—the National Progressive Union of Miners and Mine-laborers and National District Assembly 185, K. of L.-met here to-day. The conventions have the power to say whether there will be peace or war between the two organizations, and whether there shall be a uniting of forces. During the past year there has been much strife in the mining districts, especially in Ohio, for supremacy, between the Progressive Union and Knights of Labor miners and much hard feeling has been engendered, but as the combining of the forces means more strength and is a matter of bread and butter to the miners, they are all believed to be in favor of one organization.

The joint committee of the two organizations, composed of Master Workman J. B. Ryan and Robert Watchhorn, of No. 133, Knights of Labor, and President John Mc-Bride and Secretary Patrick McBride, of the National Progressive Union, and David Ross, of the National Progressive Union of Illinois, at the meeting held at the Grand Central Hotel, agreed that each convention should meet separately to-day, and consider the question of amalgamation, preparing what they believe to be the best and most effectual plan for the union. A committee was appointed by each to meet jointly to confer and form a general plan from the separate plans and report to the joint convention in the City Hall at 9 A. M. Thurs-

The convention of the National Progressive Union was called to order, this morning, in Hungarian Hall, by President John McBride, at 10:35 o'clock. There was a large attendance of delegates, who were in-telligent in appearance and looked like they were ready to tackle the great ques-tions to come before them concerning the mining interests. As soon as the delegates quieted down President McBride appointed the following committee on credentials, and the delegates presented their papers: Messrs. John Kane, of Indiana; John S. Davis, of Ohio; James Harrison, of Illinois; Joseph Welsh, of Ohio, and A. M. Ferrell,

of Kentucky. While the committee was at work President McBride introduced Speaker N. R. Hysell, of the Ohio House of Represent atives, who was present, as one of the old leaders who has reached a position never before reached by a coal-miner. Mr. Hysell was given an enthusiastic welcome, and he responded with a neat address.

The committee on credentials presented its report to the convention. The report showed that there are eighty-nine delegates present, who are distributed among the States as follows: Ohio, 54; Pennsylvania, 7; Illinois, 9; Indiana, 10; Kentuck 1, and West Virginia, 4, together with the president and secretary and the other two members of the executive board. The report was received and adopted. The following committee on order of business was appointed: John P. Jones, of Ohio; M. Mc-Quade, of Pennsylvania; William Scoif, of Illinois; J. Meide, of West Virginia, and M Comiskey, of Indiana.

After the recess President McBride made

his annual address. He reviewed the work of the union since its organization, and the troubles and strikes which had occurred. also the action of the Indianapolis convention on the amalgamation question. He said that he anticipates trouble in arranging the details, and advised the delegates to be calm and careful in the consideration of the question in the joint convention. The open and secret branch question was touched upon, and he said that the scruples of the National Progressive Union could probably be overcome by having open and secret branches, these to work together. He said this or the joint convention should move in favor of concerted action for an advance in wages. He advised that the office of secretary and treasurer be made one. Secretary-treasurer Patrick McBride made his annual report. It shows that on Feb. 1 last there were less than 3,000 members. By the end of March 15,000 members were enrolled. Strikes and other drawbacks had cut the order down considerably, but since Oct. 1 to the present there was marked improvement. On Jan. 1, 1890, there were 10,000 members. The fincancial statement showed the following: Receipts, \$9,093.94; expenditures, \$8,955.06; balance on hand Jan. 1, 1890, \$138.88.

Auditor Ross reported the accounts correct, and the reports of the president and secretary-treasurer were received and re-

The delegates were then called upon for the views of their constituents, and this discussion was in progress late this after-This afternoon a telegram was received

from Secretary William Martin, of the iron

and steel-workers, urging amalgamation.

President Gompers, of the American federation, sent a communication favoring consolidation and the eight-hour movement. At 10 o'clock this morning the national convention N. D. A. 135, composed of Knights of Labor miners, opened in the City Hall, John B. Rae, of Coalmont, Pa., as master workman of the national organization, presiding. A committee on credentials was appointed, as follows: George Douglas, Columbus; John Nugent, Straitsville, O.; Wm. B. Wilson, Pennsylvania; Wm. C. Webb, Kentucky; John McNulty, Pennsylvania; John H. Kennedy, Indiana. The committe, in reporting, stated that credentials of 103 delegates had been ex-

parts of the country. One-fourth of these are from the coke region of Pennsylvania. The sessions to-day were held with closed doors, the time being given up entirely to listening to addresses from delegates from the different mining regions of the country the dozen or more delivered during the morning session was one by Robert Watchhorn, secretary-treasurer of the district as-

amined, and these, with five who came in

during the morning session, made an at-

tendance of 108 delegates, representing all

sembly. Strike of Shoemakers. YARMOUTH, Me., Jan. 22.-The shoemakers, stitchers, stock-fitters, cutters and lasters in J. F. Hodson Bros.' shoe factory National Tube-Works Wrought-Iron Pipe

> Gas, Steam & Water Boiler Tubes, Cast and Malleable Iron Fittings (black and galvanized). Valves, Stop Cocks, Engine Trimmings, Steam Gauges, Pipe Tongs, Pipe Cutters, Vises, Screw Plates and Dies, Wrenches, Steam Traps, Pumps, Kitchen Sinks, Hose, Belting, Bab-bitt Metal, Solder, White and Colored Wiping Waste, and all other supplies used in connection with Gas, Steam and Water. Natural Gas Supplies a specialty. Steam-heating Apparatus for Public Buildings, Storerooms, Mills, Shops, Factories, Laundries, Lumber Dry-houses, etc. Cut and Thread to order any size Wrought-iron Pipe from is inch to 12 inches diameter. KNIGHT & JILLSON, 75 & 77 S. Pennsylvania st

struck to-day because the girls in the stitching-room were required to sign an agreement to accept wages agreed upon by the firm for the ensuing year. They claim that the firm would not name the wages until after they should sign.

Glass-Blowers' Lockout Ended. SALEM, N. J., Jan. 22.—After a long and tedious struggle, lasting months, the glassblowers' lockout here has been settled, and fires are now started under the furnaces of Craven Brothers. The adjustment is on the basis of a 60 per cent. list, less 10 per cent., and the allowance of one apprentice to every fifteen journeymen, \$40 in cash every two weeks, or \$20 per week. One factory will start on Friday, two next Tuesday, and the other two as soon as

Obituary.

Secial to the Indianapolis Journal BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 22.—Don Von Elsner died to-night, aged twenty-six years. He was a distinguished musician. known throughout the United States. He was the brother of the late Marie Litta, the opera prima donna. He was the leader of the Fourth Regiment Band of this city, otherwise known as "the Band of De-Molay." He was a former member of the Second Regiment, of Chicago, and had traveled as a cornet soloist with Haverly, the Gormans and other minstrel parties.

marshal of San Mateo, Cal., in 1862, and a prominent Republican in this State, died at his residence in Big Rapids, this morning, from injuries received by a fall last Sun-BERLIN, Jan. 22.—Baron Von Franken-stein, one of the leaders of the Clerical party in the Reichstag, who has been ill for

DETROIT, Jan. 22 .- Hon. Fitz Phelps, ex

State Senator and Representative, provost

some time, died to-day. Passed Half Her Life in Male Attire. PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 22.-A woman has just been discovered on the South Side who has been masquerading as a man and doing the work of a laborer with the men on the Pittsburg, Virginia & Charleston name is Margaret Polinski, and she has lived with the colony of Polanders, in what is known as Polish Hollow, Twenty-fourth ward. It was by accident that her sex was discovered, yesterday afternoon, and, when confronted by her fellow-workmen,

she confessed that she had been wearing

male attire for twelve years. After the discovery she fled. Drank Carbolic Acid for Beer. REDBANK, N. J., Jan. 22.—Charles Magee, postmaster at Holmdell, died to-day from the effects of carbolic acid, which he drank Saturday afternoon. Mr. Magee was returning from Newport on the day named, when he stopped at the Town House, kept by his brother Garret. He asked the servant girl for something to drink. He was given a bottle of acid, which the girl mistook for beer. Mr. Magee soon became un-conscious, and remained so until he died. He was a prominent Republican politician, and received the po ice appointment last spring. He was

y years of age, reral children. and leaves a widow a Mistaken for a I. . glar and Killed. COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.-Laura Linton, a maiden lady, living on a farm in Cam-den township, Lorain county, Ohio, was shot and killed last night by two boys, named Roberts and Ginsley, mistook her for a burglar Miss Linton feared a visit from burglars, and asked the boys to stay at her house. They armed themselves with shotguns, and, hearing a noise at night, arose and

fired at the supposed burglar. It is be-

lieved the woman was walking in her sleep, as she made no response when they called \$40,000 for the Loss of His Legs. CHICAGO, Jan. 22 .- The jury in the United States Circuit Court, to-day, awarded Henry Bush damages of \$40,000 in his suit against the Northern Pacific, Rail-road Company. In October, 1888, Bush was fireman on a construction train, which was run into and wrecked by a wild train. Bush was so badly injured he lost the use of his legs. He charged negligence on the part of the division superintendent in not notifying him the extra was on the road. The award is the second largest ever

given in the United States. Collision on the C., B. & Q.

OMAHA, Jan. 22.-The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy passenger train No. 5 collided with a freight train about 6:30 this morning, near Stanton, Ia. The freight was running on special time and should have passed No. 5 at Stanton, but for some reason unknown No. 5 pulled out of Stanton and attempted to pass on the same track. The two engines, the mail car and several freight cars were badly wrecked. There were no personal injuries except one engineer who had his leg broken.

Methodists Will Build a College. KANSAS CITY, Jan. 22.-The Methodist Episcopal Church of America has decided to build a sectarian college in Kansas City, Kan. A million dollars' worth of property has been acquired there. The educational committee meets to-morrow to make arrangements for the construction of the building. Rev. S. D. Stevens, editor of the Methodist Recorder, of Pittsburg; Hon. B. W. Chandler, of Tiffin, O., and ex-Governor T. H. Pierrepont, of West Virginia, are

already on the grounds